

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
HOUSTON DIVISION

IN RE ALTA MESA RESOURCES, INC.
SECURITIES LITIGATION

Case No. 4:19-cv-00957

Judge George C. Hanks, Jr

**DEFENDANT ARM ENERGY HOLDINGS, LLC'S UNOPPOSED MOTION TO FILE
UNDER SEAL EXHIBITS TO ITS MOTIONS *IN LIMINE***

Defendant ARM Energy Holdings, LLC (“ARM Energy”) respectfully requests leave to file unredacted copies of Exhibits attached to its Motions *in Limine* under seal, pursuant to the Stipulation and Protective Order (“the Protective Order”) entered on August 7, 2021 (ECF No. 190). The Sealed Documents include (i) Charles Bo Dunne deposition transcript excerpts, which were designated as confidential under the Protective Order (Exhibit A); (ii) the D. Paul Regan expert report, which is marked confidential and was prepared at the direction of Plaintiffs in connection with this litigation (Exhibit B); (iii) emails discussing certain confidential information that were marked confidential when produced (Exhibit C); and (iv) the Operating Transition Services Agreement between Kingfisher and Asset Risk Management, LLC, which was also marked confidential at the time of production (Exhibit D) (collectively “Sealed Documents”). Counsel for ARM Energy has conferred with opposing counsel and there is no opposition to the filing of this motion.

As grounds for this motion, Exhibits A through D are confidential and sensitive documents subject to the Protective Order. This Court maintains “supervisory power” over its own docket and should act to deny public access to documents “where court files might . . . become a vehicle for improper purposes.” *SEC v. Van Waeyenbergh*, 990 F.2d 845, 848 (5th Cir. 1993) (quoting *Nixon*

v. Warner Commc 'ns, Inc., 435 U.S. 589, 598 (1978)). Courts routinely seal sensitive business and financial information of parties, recognizing that such information is subject to use for “improper purposes.” *See Udoewa v. Plus4 Credit Union*, 754 F. Supp. 2d 850, 884 (S.D. Tex. 2010).

Exhibits A through D contain information that should be sealed on these grounds. These Exhibits were filed under seal with ARM Energy’s Motions *in Limine* on October 21, 2024.

For these reasons, ARM Energy requests that the Court grant this unopposed Motion and order the Sealed Documents to remain sealed.

Dated: October 21, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on October 21, 2024, a copy of the foregoing Motion to File Under Seal was electronically filed using the Court's CM/ECF system, which will send notification of such filing to all counsel and parties of record.

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